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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has agreed to examine the proposal of the Karnataka Government to extend the proposed Chennai-Bangalore industrial corridor up to Mumbai;

(b) if so, whether the State Government had made this proposal at a meeting in New Delhi, convened by the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion of the Union Ministry in which senior officials from Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra also took part;

(c) whether Karnataka has suggested that the Union Government should consider extending the proposed corridor upto Mumbai via Tumkur, Davangere, Hubli, Dharwad and Belgaum to enable rapid industrial development in its backward areas; and

(d) if so, the time by when a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR)

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. After the consultations in the meeting held on 7.1.2008 with the representatives of State Governments of Tami Nadu, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh, it has been decided as a first step to prepare a Concept Report/Paper for Chennai-Bengalooru- Mumbai Industrial Corridor. The Report/Paper inter alia could also cover industrial nodes/ locations, industrial infrastructure and project schedules. A decision will be taken on the corridor project including its proposed coverage from Chennai to Mumbai based on the findings of the Concept Report.